

DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON
ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR CATHOLIC CHURCH
SHRINE OF BLESSED CEFERINO



MISSION STATEMENT

As a Family of faith and love, we the members of St. Edward parish follow Jesus, Christ, by being united with Him in Prayer and Sacraments, and by strengthening this union through study and reflection of the Word of God, and by reaching out to our fellow human beings with the commitment to spread the Gospel message to us all. We thus contribute our share in the building up of the Kingdom of God.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 P.M.
Sunday: 10:00 A.M.
Weekday: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:
10:30 A.M.
Saturday 9:00 A.M.
(for Saturday devotion)

CONFESSION

After Weekday Mass on request
Friday 11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
Saturday: 3:00 P.M. – 3:45 P.M.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

By appointment only

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Tuesday 4:00 P.M.- 5:00 P.M.
September – May

ADORATION

Tuesday & Wednesday
11:00 A.M – 3:30 P.M.

WEDDINGS

Arrangements should be made
four months in advance

Rev. Chidi is available in the Church at the end of Weekly and Sunday Masses to arrange Baptism Preparation, Marriage Preparation and for any Blessings or other non-emergency matters.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 27, 2025

“You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.”

— *Colossians 2:12*

CONVERSATION WITH GOD

Prayer is our focus this weekend. In the Gospel, Jesus gives his disciples, and us, the Lord’s Prayer, which we have cherished through the centuries. The first two words encompass much about our faith—unity among all Christians (Our), and a sense that we are in a deeply bonded relationship with God (Father).

In Genesis, we see Abraham in conversational prayer, in his creaturely humility before his Creator, seeking mercy and compassion for the innocent. The psalm is a lyrical prayer of thanksgiving and praise for the God who answered the sincere prayers of a people who had called out for help, showing them mercy. In Luke’s Gospel, the disciples want to pray like Jesus, with the same intimacy—to experience God as Abba in the depths of their being.

Do we try to talk to God? Do we listen for answers? This relationship is always a work in progress.

How do we bring balance and joy to our lives of prayer and service to our loving God? Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Abraham bargains with God to spare the city (Genesis 18:20-32).

Psalm — Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me (Psalm 138).

Second Reading — Buried with Christ in baptism, we were also raised with him; all our transgressions are forgiven (Colossians 2:12-14).

Gospel — Jesus speaks of God’s sure response to those who pray (Luke 11:1-13).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus

Wednesday: St. Peter Chrysologus

Thursday: St. Ignatius of Loyola

Friday: St. Alphonsus Liguori; First Friday

Saturday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli; St. Peter Julian Eymard; First Saturday

~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~

PRAYER FOR PEACE OF MIND

Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in You knowing that You love me, care for me and will never abandon me.

I want to be like Mary, who, in spite of her sorrows and great pain was able to enjoy peace of mind in the midst of her suffering, confident that God was at her side to give her courage. Help me to know that my suffering and pain too will pass, as You guide me along the right path and that only goodness and kindness will follow me all the days of my life. Jesus, heal my heart and grant me peace of mind.

Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: Parishioners of St. Edward’s Parish

Monday: *No Mass*

Tuesday: Pete Sherlock Birthday †

TK Birthday †

Petie Rabbit & Francis Riley †

Petie Cottontail & Dope’s Kate †

Wednesday: In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the Souls in Purgatory

Mary Louise Carroll 2nd Anniversary †

Thursday: In honor of St. John Paul

P.A. & Theresa †

Friday: Raid 75th Birthday †

Buck’s Jay 85th Birthday †

Hody’s Joe Birthday †

Saturday: Times 1st Birthday

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA

The Catholic Appeal of South Carolina (CASC) is the primary source of funding for many critical ministries. We are impacting the lives of our brothers and sisters both spiritually and physically – but there is still much to do. We must continue to fund programs focused on charitable works, outreach, education, and evangelization. Your participation is highly appreciated and let us reach our goal by fulfilling the pledge and generous contribution. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

JOKE OF THE WEEK

Every ten years, the monks in the monastery are allowed to break their vow of silence to speak two words. Ten years go by, and it’s one monk’s first chance. He thinks long and hard before telling the head monk,

“Food bad.” Ten years later, it’s his turn to speak again. This time he says,

“Bed hard.” A decade later, it’s the big day again. The man gives the head monk a long stare and says,

“I quit.” “Well, I’m not surprised,” the head monk says. “You’ve been complaining ever since you got here.”

OUR GIFTS RECORD

Last Week's Collection	3,098.00	\$2,521.00
Number Families Contributing	53	38
Total Pledge for 2025	\$155,539.00	\$158,716.00
Pledged to Date (27 Weeks)	\$85,226.00	\$87,591.00
Received to Date	\$69,652.00	\$51,236.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$15,574.00	\$36,355.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2025
\$69.00	\$6,487.00

10 Ladies contributed last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2025
\$130.00	\$14,810.00

2 Families made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA (BAA)

Amount given to date	2025 GOAL
\$2,423.00	\$16,196.00

POOR BOX totaled \$50.00.

1 CHILD contributed \$1.00.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. Embassy, Taj, and Alayah in loving memory of Lillie Rita on the 1st Anniversary of her death;
2. the Family of Winnie "Blackeyes" Riley in loving memory of her on the Anniversary of her death; in loving memory of Tommy Riley on his Birthday; and in loving memory of Bridget Marie Carroll;
3. and a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

FLOWERS IN THE ATRIUM IN FRONT OF THE BLESSED MOTHER STATUE ARE OFFERED BY:

Avery & Alexa

If anyone would like to get flowers in front of the Blessed Mother statue contact Winnie Ann.

WELCOME HOME FR. CHIDI Even though Fr. Chidi was only gone for a few weeks, he was greatly missed by the members of St. Edward's Parish. Welcome home!

THANK YOU to a parish member for \$100 donation in thanks to St. Expedite and to a member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite.

MONDAY MASS During the month of August, mass on Monday will be at 6:00 P.M.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION On the 1st Friday of each month there will be Adoration from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M followed by Mass.

HEAVENLY TECHNOLOGY

God is like software. He ENTERS our life. SCANS our problems, EDITS our tensions, DOWNLOADS solutions. DELETES all our worries. And SAVES us.

THINK FOR A WHILE

Before you think of saying an unkind word. Think of someone who can't speak.

Before you complain about the taste of your food. Think of someone who has nothing to eat.

Before you complain about your children. Think of someone who desires children but is barren.

READERS

Sat. July 26th, 4:00 P.M.
Estate & Natalie

Sun. July 27th, 10:00 A.M.
Sutton & Lauren Ashley

Sat. Aug. 2nd, 4:00 P.M.
Paris & Mary Martha

Sun. Aug. 3rd, 10:00 A.M.
Sutton & Lauren Ashley

READERS – WEEKDAYS

Tuesday - Dayna
Wednesday - Sutton
Thursday - Natalie
Friday - Julie Ann

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKDAYS

Tuesday - Jack's Mary Rita
Wednesday - Julie Ann
Thursday - Lauren Ashley
Friday - Rosie Marie

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 P.M.

Right
Left

July 26th

Theresa Hun
Cathy Carroll

Sunday 10:00 A.M

July 27th

Ned's Rose Marie

August 3rd

Ned's Rose Marie